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## SPORTING.

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The following is the result of the last  
two shoots held at King's Park Range on  
Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th instant.

	Score	High	Total
B. Branch ..	80	14	94
A. Whitlaw ..	79	15	94
W. Budge ..	77	17	94
J. Johnstone ..	64	29	94
H. Elson ..	92	Sc 92	
H. Knight ..	76	18	92
J. Dunlop ..	90	Sc 90	
J. Hutchings ..	66	24	90
T. Grimshaw ..	85	4	89
T. Hamilton ..	87	Sc 87	
J. Lyon ..	86	Sc 86	
A. J. J. Brock ..	83	Sc 83	
F. Brown ..	81	Sc 81	
A. H. Bishop ..	76	4	80
R. E. O. Bird ..	67	9	76

SUNDAY.

H. R. G. Eason ..	97	Sc 97	
A. H. Bishop ..	79	18	97
H. Knight ..	77	18	95
K. McLennan ..	94	Sc 94	
W. Budge ..	89	5	94
T. Dunlop ..	77	17	94
T. Grimshaw ..	84	9	93
J. Hutchings ..	65	28	93
A. J. J. Brock ..	90	Sc 90	
B. Branch ..	76	14	90
A. Whitlaw ..	68	15	83
J. Lyon ..	82	Sc 82	
J. Martin ..	47	30	74

## Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

The second Officers' Company shoot of  
the H.K.V.C. took place at Taikeo Range  
on Sunday. The following were the  
scores.

	Score	Hep.	Totals
Gun. H. Heath ..	88	8	96
Capt. D. Young ..	80	10	90

"B" CLASH.

Gun. J. Sloan ..	72	14	86
Gun. Miller ..	71	8	79
Gun. Leath ..	78	scr.	78
Gun. Helm ..	66	6	72

\* Winner of spoon.

## Dockyard Recreation Club.

The shooting section of the Dockyard  
Recreation Club provided another enjoy-  
able all day picnic for members, and their  
families at Taihang on Tuesday. In the  
morning there was a mixed team (ladies  
and gentlemen) shoot and in the afternoon  
competitions for a China New Year Cup  
and a silver badge presented by the  
National Rifle Association, took place.  
A miniature range was also provided  
for the ladies, many of whom  
took advantage of it. In the  
mixed team shoot Mr. Brock made top  
score with 89, his wife contributing the next  
best total of 85, whilst Mrs. Head followed  
closely with 82 and Mrs. Ponsford with 79.  
The handicap shoot for the New Year Cup  
was won by Mr. Cook with an aggregate of  
84. Master J. Marshall was second with  
83, for which score he was awarded three  
silver spoons. For the N.R.A. badge Mr. H.  
Elson proved to be the winner with a net  
score of 92, and Mr. R. Stewart was second  
with 91. Over a hundred were present and  
a most enjoyable day was spent.

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himself beside a well known newspaper  
paraphraser. He complimented the para-  
phraser on his work. "But how on earth,"  
he cried, "do you write twenty jokes a  
day?" "With a typewriter," the other  
answered, and he smiled. But the legisla-  
tor's retort was ready. "Oh, is that so?"  
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FRIDAY, 30th JANUARY.			
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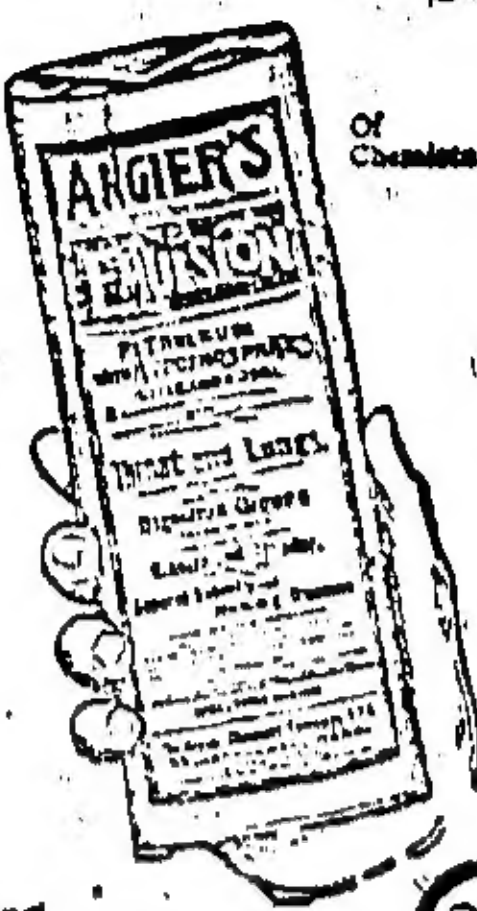
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### THE JAPANESE ERUPTIONS.

The City of Kagoshima.

[Kagoshima means, in English, "Basket Island." It is quite near the Volcano which recently was in eruption and which has now buried it in ashes and almost totally destroyed it. Kagoshima is the chief city of the Province of Satsuma, on the island of Kyushu, Japan, and the seat of the Government of the Sen or prefecture of the same name, which includes the provinces of Satsuma, Osumi, and Riuksu. It was at one time the seat of the feudal barons of the Shimadzu family, one of the most powerful in Japan. It lies in the north-western side of a deep inlet of the same name. The town itself, before the eruption, covered considerable ground, had wide, clean, well kept streets, and included amongst its most important industries the manufacture of cotton, silk, pottery and glass. The exports consisted mostly of rice, tea, camellia, and cedar-wood. On the shores and forming a kind of suburb is Tanoura, where the famous crackled Satsuma ware is made. On the 15th August, 1863, Kagoshima was bombarded, the forts destroyed and a great portion of the city burned by a British squadron, as a punishment for the murder by military retainers of Simadzu Saburo of Satsuma of Col. H. L. Richardson which took place on the road between Tokyo and Yokohama. He was with his wife who was on horseback, but she escaped by riding her horse into the sea. The Shogun's Government and the Daimo having failed to punish the murderers or give any satisfaction was the reason for the bombardment. On the arrival of the fleet of Kagoshima the British Admiral demanded the punishment of the murderers, but this was refused. The Admiral then gave orders for two of his vessels to go into an inner harbour and capture two steamers belonging to the Prince of Satsuma, and as they appeared with them in the bay and just as the twelve o'clock gun was fired the forts on shore opened fire on the flag-ship. The Admiral signalled to "burn steamer and join in action." It was blowing a typhoon at the time, but the squadron steamed round and round the Bay, blew up the magazines, destroyed the forts and set fire to the city. At dusk the squadron withdrew and as the vessels were steaming out of the Bay a small 12 pound shot, fired from the shore, went through one of the ship's boats and took the top of the head of the Captain and the head of the Commander of the flag ship, and just missed the Admiral. It was a sad ending to the action. It was at Kagoshima too that the great Satsuma Rebellion, broke out in 1877. The city was promptly taken by the Imperial troops recaptured by the insurgents, some months later, and finally captured by the Imperialists, on 24th September. Saigo and the rebel leaders being defeated with great slaughter the rebellion was crushed.

### ECCLESIASTICAL CONTROVERSIES.

It would seem from Bishop Gore's grave warning that Kikuyu is likely to take rank with the great controversies which have distracted the Church. Most of these have dragged on over long periods. Thus the Bangorian Controversy for 150 years. Then there were the great "Papal Aggression" case of the fifties, the Colenso controversy, which was at its height exactly fifty years ago, and only ended with the Bishop's death in 1883, and the case of Bishop King of Lincoln, which went on from 1883 to 1892.

Elements of humour have not been absent from these controversies. The Bangorian case, for instance, produced that priceless letter from Lord John Russell to the Dean of Hereford: "I have the honour to receive your letter, in which you intimate to me your intention of violating the law." Even more true was the letter of Bishop Blomfield to one of his clergy, who defended his ritual by the authority of St. Ambrose. "Sir—St. Ambrose was not Bishop of London, and I am." It was Dr. Stubbs of Oxford, whose patience was sadly exercised in the Lincoln case, as is recorded in a little poem he scribbled to his chaplain during the arguments:

The merits next of end and side  
How can his Grace decide on  
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### STRANGE STORIES OF THE "KI-KI."

Discovery of Supposed Unknown Tribe.

Dr. C. V. Hall, a Methodist missionary recently returned to America, after passing five years in the Far East, reports the discovery of a new people which he has named the Ki-Ki race. He describes his experiences in the New York "American."

"I firmly believe (he writes) that I am the first Caucasian that has ever seen these people. They live in the island of New Guinea, far inland. They are smaller than their neighbours, the man-eating Minciri tribe, and they are exceedingly shy. Their food is largely vegetable, consisting principally of the bark and leaves of certain trees or roots and bamboo shoots. So far as I know they are absolutely unacquainted with fire. During the time I passed among them I never saw them use it, and I believe that they know nothing of it.

"About 300 miles above the town of Mimori, on the Fly River, and at an altitude of about 3,000 feet, we were sure that we had left all civilisation behind us. Suddenly our advance guard returned and told us that he had discovered signs of human beings. Knowing that the civilised world has no knowledge of any such tribe in that locality, I was at once greatly interested, and with four others of the expedition I advanced into the bush.

"Coming out from a thick group of bushes I saw what first appeared to be a broken stump of a tree. A second later I realised that it was a human being dressed entirely in a garment of bark. I took a hasty snapshot of her, for it was a woman of the new tribe. Her speech was so great as she disappeared that it reminded me of the American deer.

"This was the first I saw of the Ki-Ki, as I have called them. They believe the white men of the expedition were supernatural beings and thought that they came up out of the sea.

"Their belief was strengthened by the fact that when he dies the Ki-Ki's skin becomes pale, resembling that of the Caucasians. These people are exceedingly shy, and it is difficult to get near them to take photographs or to speak to them.

"I saw some of their 'homes' while I was in their country. They are made of a few branches twisted together and much resembling the nests of birds.

"The men are not at all warlike. One characteristic of the new tribe is their hair, which is much different from that of the ordinary cannibal of the island, being much less curly and longer, slightly resembling the hair of the American Indian, though it is neither so long nor straight.

Dr. Hall tells of seeing native troops take the heads of fourteen natives from the head hunters. He has one of these heads with him, the head of a Ki-Ki, and a perfect specimen, preserved by some method unknown to civilised man. He says that he saw a man clothed in a dress made entirely of the human hair he had taken from his victims.

### THE FATAL CAMERA.

American Girl and Italian Authorities.

Miss Dorothea Macvano (daughter of Professor Macvano, of Harvard University), who is singing in grand opera at Toronto, is suspected of espionage because she accidentally took a photographic snap-shot of some Italian masked batteries. Despite the fact that the American Ambassador has given an assurance that the girl is not a spy the police continue to keep her under surveillance and threaten to arrest her if she attempts to leave Italy. Miss Macvano attributes her persecution to an Italian naval officer's denouncing her to the authorities when she refused to marry him after he had declared his love for her.

A very interesting article appears in the issue of "Shipping and Engineering" to hand on the port ble rocket gear. It is pointed out that the improvements which have recently been made in line throwing appliances for vessels bring forward once again the use of need for the establishment of such apparatus on all vessels, whether of the passenger or purely cargo type. Instances are given pointing to the fact that danger to lives might have been obviated had the vessels in question been fitted with the portable rocket gear. The journal contained a further article on steam engine progress in 1913, accompanied by a picture of the Empress of Russia. Other articles include those on the Peking Syndicate and the Condensation of Steam. There is also a clever little in the nature of a drawing on the change of the M.M.O.A. flag.

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### His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

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Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1650	2	2000	Comdr. Archibald Cochrane	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. B. S. Pritchard	Shanghai
Britannia	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Capt. H. P. E. Williams	Shanghai
Chelmer	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	700	Lt.-Comdr. H. T. England	Miao Bay
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	—	Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Colne	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7300	Lt.-Comdr. M. R. Birke	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	5700	Lt.-Comdr. J. M. Blackman	Hongkong
Hampshire	cruiser, 1st class	10,850	10	20,500	Capt. M. R. Hill	Canton
Jed	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lt.-Comdr. F. A. Mulock	Hongkong
Kennet	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lt.-Comdr. E. K. Boddin-Whitham	Hongkong
Kinsale	river gunboat	816	4	1200	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Marryat	Yangtze River
Merlin	sloop	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. C. Pasco	Hongkong
Minotaur	cruiser, 1st class	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Hongkong
Moore	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Alan Dixon	West River
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4800	12	23,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Shanghai
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Malcolm Murray	Yangtze River
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. R. W. Wilkinson	Miao Bay
Rosario	depot ship, submarines	980	—	1400	Lt.-Comdr. F. A. N. Cromie	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. J. A. S. Hutton	Miao Bay
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Maurice B. Leslie	Yangtze River
Tamar	receiving ship	1650	—	—	Commodore R. H. Anstruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Upper Yangtze River
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. H. R. N. Cottrell-Dormer	Canton
Triumph	torpedo boat destroyer	11,985	12	12,500	Capt. P. Stratford, M.V.O.	Hongkong
Uk	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong
Welland	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	185	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. J. C. F. Borrett	Upper Yangtze River
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. M. Blackwood	Yangtze River
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtze River
Yarmouth	light cruiser	5250	—	22,000	Capt. H. L. Cochrane	Hongkong
C.38	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. F. J. McGillicuddy	Hongkong
C.37	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. G. Gimes	Hongkong
C.38	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. R. K. C. Pope	Hongkong
.035	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Handley	Hongkong
.036	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Barton	West River
.037	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Nicol	West River
.058	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

\* Flagship of Vice-Admiral T. H. M. Jernam, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief.

### Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons.	Gun.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Last report at
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Makovitz	Pootung
Dupleix	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Dorelay	Hongkong
Kleber	French armoured cruiser	9730	12	19,600	Capt. Gouti	Saigon
Montcalm	French flagship	9600	—	—	Capt. de Vaisseau	Saigon
Decade	French gunboat	445	10	1000	Lt.-Comdr. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lt.-Comdr. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lt.-Comdr. de Jerville	Canton
Peiho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Collin	Tonghai
Dordard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Dupuy Duteau	Tonghai
* Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.						
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Bolux	Saigon
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	—	Saigon
* Styr	French armoured gunboat	1738	10	1700	Lt.-Comdr. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronte	French destroyer	350	7	305	Lt.-Comdr. Aurillac	Saigon
Iberville	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Roussin	Saigon
Fiatelot	French destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessat	Saigon
Monquet	French destroyer	307	4	300	—	Saigon
Manche	French surveying ship	1625	10	9000	Comdr. Voisin	Saigon
* Flagship of Capt. (Commodore) Boudault, Commanding the local defence force China.						
London	German cruiser	3000	22	13,500	Capt. v. Restorff	Hongkong
Gundee	German armoured cruiser	11,000	38	26,000	Captain Brunningshaus	Tsingtao
Illis	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. Vanselow	Tsingtao
Leipzig	German gunboat	2250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke	Tsingtao
Luchs	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Bendemann	Tsingtao
Nürnberg	German cruiser	3400	22	13,500	Capt. Marmberger	Tsingtao
Otter	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Firls	Yangtze River
Scharnhorst	German flagship	11,600	26	26,300	Capt. von Schulz	Tsingtao
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	8	6500	Capt. Lieut. Berrenberg	Tsingtao
Tak	German torpedo-boat	280	4	8000	Obst. z. S. Classen	Tsingtao
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Riecker	Tsingtao
Tingtau	German river gunboat	223	4	1300	Capt. von Möller	Canton
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	4	500	Obst. z. S. Prinz	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	2145	—	—	Comdr. Sommi Piccardi	Shanghai
Admiral	Portuguese cruiser	1757	—	—	Capt. Antbal de S. Dias	Macao
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patria	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain José de Carvalho Orato	Macao

### UNITED STATES VESSELS ATTACHED TO ASIATIC STATION.

A 2	U. S. submarine				Ensign J. McC. Murray	Cavite
A 4	"				Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	Cavite
A 6	"				Ensign J. C. Van de Carr	Cavite
A 7	"				Ensign C. M. Yates	Cavite
Albat	U. S. protected cruiser	3430	10	7500	Com. M. L. Bristol	Cunning
Bainbridge	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign H. A. Jones	Cavite
Barry	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. R. Hill	Cavite
Callao	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	Ensign W. L. Heiberg	Canton
Chancery	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Cavite
Cincinnati	U. S. protected cruiser	3133	11	10,000	Comdr. S. S. Robinson	Cruising
Dale	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. O. A. Woodruff	Cavite
Deakster	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. B. H. Green	Cavite
El Cano	U. S. gunboat	620	4	600	Lt. Comdr. S. Gannon	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Comdr. G. R. Marrell	Shanghai
Michigan	U. S. station ship	1207	8	1100	Lieut. R. V. Lowe	Cavite
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3900	6	3000	Lt. E. P. Starr	Olongapo
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5277	Commander J. V. Chase	Olongapo
Panama	U. S. gunboat	243	8	—	Lieut. B. B. Taylor	Cavite
Piscataqua	U. S. sea going tug	654	2	1600	Lieut. S. W. Wallace	Canton
Pompey	U. S. Repair ship	3085	—	—	Lieut. W. O. Wallace	Cavite
Quinos	U. S. gunboat	350	2	238	Lieut. J. J. Hannigan	Shanghai
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4380	14	1800	Lt. Comdr. D. W. Wurtzbaugh	Swallow
Saratoga	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	Lt. G. O. Dickason	Shanghai
St. Louis	U. S. armored cruiser	8115	14	17,401	Comdr. H. A. Wiley	Swallow
St. Paul	U. S. gunboat	370	2	298	Lieut. R. Durr	Shanghai
Wilkes	U. S. gunboat	1207	8	1724	Comdr. J. F. Hubbard	Hongkong
Towpatsch	U. S. tug	463	—	630	Chief Boatsw. P. E. Baddie's	Olongapo



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## General Memoranda.

SENDAY, February 1.—Excursion to Macao.

WEDNESDAY, February 4.—2.15 p.m.—Meeting of the Licensing Board.

SATURDAY, February 7.—9 a.m.—Bookings open for "The Idol's Eye."

9.15 p.m.—Philharmonic Society's Concert.

THURSDAY, February 10.—5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral.

FRI., Feb. 12, SAT., 13 & SAT. 14.—"The Idol's Eye" at Theatre Royal, City Hall.

SATURDAY, February 14.—Night—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Meeting.

MONDAY, February 16.—Miss Maud Allan at the Theatre Royal, City Hall.

MON., Feb. 16, TUES., 17 & WED., 18.—Jockey Club Race Meeting at Happy Valley.

THURSDAY, February 19.—Ball at Government House.

SATURDAY, February 21.—Jockey Club Race Meeting—3rd Day.

THURSDAY, February 21.—Entries close for Annual Flower Show.

## The China Mail

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JAN. 29, 1914.

## PRESIDENT YUAN.

In the current issue of the "Asiatic Quarterly Review," Professor E. H. Parker, who, the other day, contributed an able article to this column, has a long article on China's President, which he entitles "Yuan's Coup d'Etat." It is four years ago, he writes, since Yuan Shih-kai, dragging the historical sore leg after him, but moving with marvellous activity the affected limb in question, said to the solitary friend who accompanied him in his disgrace to the railway station: "K'an t'ien men zu-chi taemmo pan!" "We shall see how they will manage things themselves!" He was then taken by surprise as the victim of a week-kneed Regent and a silly coterie of women—a pack of feminines, chin-pun, as the irreverent literary expression goes. This was precisely at the juncture when his vigorous personality at Peking had been asserting itself successfully against the benumbing influence of mere pedants and reactionaries, and there was every prospect of the tottering Manchu dynasty being once more saved by his commonsense efforts from its own shifty foolishness. It was understood at the time by the knowing ones that the real reason for this sudden tou-pi-chiang, or "tip over," thus ascribed to a sore leg, was a vengeful desire on the part of the Regent (who had, under the old Dowager's orders, represented his brother, the late Emperor Kwang-su, with hope-inspiring credit in Germany nine years before that) and of the old Dowager's niece and spy, the Dowager Lang-hi (the childless, loveless, and unloved spouse of the same Emperor), to avenge their brother and husband respectively, and to "get even" for the notorious events 1898, when Yuan Shih-kai had done what he conceived to be his highest duty, and had declined to participate in the rash Emperor's mad little scheme, suggested to him by the reformer K'ang Yu-wei, for clapping the inter-

esting old Dowager—his natural aunt, and his adoptive mother—into the "cold-room" for the rest of her life whilst the ill-matured reforms were to go on unquestioned. It has been pointed out over and over again that according to all the canons of Chinese ancestral culture, Yuan was canonically right in this action of his. He would have counted in history as an aider and abettor of patricide, or rather matricide, had he observed the Emperor's rash instructions, and consented to turn against and execute his superior military officer, and patron, the Viceroy Junglu of Tientsin. Not that we are bound to conclude from this that Yuan's decisive action on that occasion was prompted by pure academic virtue, without any cynical consideration for his own ultimate interests and safety. We have nothing to do with vicarious heart-searchings and unproved motives; Yuan's own explanation is on record. The only question for us is what were the overt acts, what were the Chinese secular teachings, and what was the Manchu statute law. Li Hung-chang was certainly no paragon of virtue, but it is abundantly evident from his memoirs just published that he had always been a loyal supporter of the dynasty; that he, too, felt a serious doubt as to the Emperor's capacity; and that he had, ever since Yuan's first efficacious promptness of 1884-1886 in Korea, entertained the firm opinion that the latter was "a strong" man for China. Who comes into a court of equity must come with clean hands. Amidst a weltering mass of rogues and intrigue it is hard to say in this dirty business where the true equities lay; but at any rate, whatever foreign missionary interests and money interests may say, Yuan Shih-kai had the canons of right on his side, and for 10 years he enjoyed solid rewards for his act. He took his disgrace manfully in 1900 after the death of his old patroness. No one has ever accused him of venal intrigues whilst he patiently continued as a broken man to kill time and "despise in loco" as best as he could, until summoned by his craven detractors, when the revolution broke out in 1911, to save the dynasty from itself once more. No doubt he said to himself, "Once bit twice shy," on this occasion, and steadily played losing hazards, or, for safety, before attempting to make a long break, least of all before attempting to pot the red on his own account. He had first to save the game at all costs. To the surprise of even his best friends, he proved, or seemed to prove, loyal to the backbone. However closely the public documents of that date be studied, it will be found that he acted from sincere conviction; and that he did his very best to save first the dynasty, and then the country. As events matured, he even risked his own safety in dealing with the rather crack-brained Cantonese enthusiasts, clamouring for a republic at Shanghai, his own opinion; apart from magnanimity towards the fallen, being that China was not yet ripe for republican life, and that it would be best to utilize the fog ends of the Manchu dynasty as a kind of religious figure-head, and thus gradually to get a real constitution into working order under an existing Imperial prestige. He has not issued a single mandate since then in which there is the faintest trace of spite or pettiness; he has been from first to last generous and courteous towards the princely families; that he may have made mistakes is likely enough—"Tren ist menschlich"—but singleness of purpose has been the keynote throughout, unless it be that he is so deep that we cannot fathom him at all. There is, to the ordinary intelligence, no reason, not the slightest, to suppose that Yuan is really aiming at establishing a dynasty for himself and his heirs—three of whom are now disposing themselves here in the more manly and wholesome of English schools. It is, of course, always impossible to read accurately into the depths of the human heart, but apart from the foolishness of such an ambition in Yuan Shih-kai, at a time when thrones are tottering over in most other ill-governed countries, it is probable that, having already got the kernel of power, he really does not want to be bothered with the shell of trumphy show, either from the canonical and ceremonial point of view, or from that of his own reasonable ambition and gratification.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today's proceedings in connection with the Chung Shui Nam case will be found on page 10 of this issue.

A Hainan paper quotes Mr. Hume Greenwood, M.P., as saying:—"There is not a Governorship in the Empire that carries an adequate salary."

For the nineteenth time in ten years the business premises of Mr. John H. Dow, of the Koola, Manila, was entered by burglars last week.

The A.S. Kitchin, the first of four new liners built for the P. and O. Company, left London on December 24 for Hongkong. She is a ship of 9,000 tons gross register.

H.M.S. Flora, recently relieved on the China station by H.M.S. Yarmouth, is to be sold by the Admiralty as unfit for further service. The destroyers Whiting, Virago and Taku are also to be disposed of.

Orders were recently given for the battleship Royal Oak, one of the eight battleships of the Royal Sovereign class, built under the Naval Defence Act, to be sold at Sheerness Dockyard on January 13.

Dr. Crull, the acting Consul for Germany, was "at home" yesterday morning at the consulate to a large number of callers who offered their felicitations on the birthday of H.M.S. the Kaiser. The officers of H.M.S. Lush gave a dance at the Club Germania in the evening which was attended by a large number of residents.

Mail papers mention the wedding of Lieut. Wyvian Drake-Brockman, R.A., to Patricia, daughter of Col. A. F. Montanaro, C.M. M.V.O. Major Montanaro was, while stationed in Singapore, for a short time Acting Adjutant S.V.A. He afterwards spent some years in West Africa commanding the troops there before his retirement from the Royal Artillery.

It is reported, says the Siam Observer, that a new Chinese concern is to re-establish the firm of Low Bang Seng, bankrupt in the recent financial crisis. Whether this new firm will also take over the chartered steamers Profit, Produce and Gerd is not known, these vessels at present lying up in Singapore. As it is prophesied that shipping business is bound to be very brisk after the Chinese New Year it is very likely that these well-known Bangkok steamers will not be left idle long.

We have had a call from Mr. George S. E. Hurn, the advance manager for Madame Lillian Nordica, who arrived in Singapore yesterday expecting to meet the company, says the "Straits Times" of the 21st inst. He was, however, handed a cable which had followed him on from Calcutta announcing that Madame Nordica is critically ill. Mr. Hurn goes to Thursday Island at once and will then cable Messrs. Moutrie precisely what arrangements are decided upon respecting Madame Nordica's appearance in Singapore.

Setting a new record for the smart handling of freight, the Victoria and Vancouver Stevedoring Company stowed away in the big Blue Funnel liner Titan, some 16,000 cases of salmon and 400 drums of whale oil within the short space of ten hours. So delighted was Captain Road, of the Titan, with the splendid work of the stevedores, that Captain James Mosher, in charge of the live gauges, was given audience by the stevedores and subjected to not a few congratulatory remarks. The Titan made port at 10.15 p.m. on a Tuesday and by 10 a.m. on the Wednesday the hatches were all battened down and the huge freighter on her way to Puget Sound.

An employee of the railway in Sourabaya missed his bicycle recently. Instead of reporting the matter to the police, he sought the assistance of a soothsayer to indicate its whereabouts. He obtained from him the names of several persons and arranged them (the names) round the board in roulette fashion. Cost him the board, says the Sourabaya Courant. You turn the wheel and when it comes to rest the indicator must point to one of the names. In this case the oracle indicated another employee of the railway. As the owner of the bicycle accepted the finding of the oracle and expressed his suspicion to others, the suspect reported the matter to his chief, and then "let the matter rest." With the police for alleged defamation of character—a result which the soothsayer hardly bargained for.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. R. W. MacCabe, secretary to the Astor House Hotel, Shanghai, is suffering from typhoid fever.

Dr. Miss Hoashoo, F.R.C.S., the lady surgeon of Dublin and Edinburgh, who arrived here a few months ago from Singapore, has returned to that port.

Dr. William Carnegie Brown, M.D., C.M., joint secretary of the Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, left estate of the gross value of £40,884, of which £24,225 is net personally.

Lord DeFreyn returned home to his ancestral seat, French Park, County Roscommon, on December 22, says The Daily Sketch. When he succeeded to the title it was stated that he was serving as a sergeant in the United States army in the Philippines.

## TURF TOPICS.

## JOCKEYS FROM THE NORTH.

As there seems to be a little misconception in some minds as to the Shanghai jockeys coming down to ride in the Races next month, and as to the individual owners for whom they will ride, we publish below (though most of the names have already been mentioned in this column) a list of the Northern jockeys, as far as is known at present, who will probably take part in the forthcoming meeting and also give the names of those for whom they will ride.

Mr. Brande for Sir Henry May.  
Mr. Vida for Sir Paul Chater.  
Mr. Moller for Mr. Ellis Kadocrie.  
Mr. Heard (of Tientsin) and Mr. Ball Irving (of Shanghai) for Mr. John Pock's (Jardine's) stable.  
Mr. Dalgarno for Mr. Soares.  
Mr. Lindsay for Mr. Stabb.  
Mr. Dummer for Mr. White.  
Mr. Gugg (of Hankow) for Mr. D'Amato.

THIS MORNING'S WORK.  
There were a fair number of gallops this morning on the race course, which was not fast, on account of a rather heavy dew overnight. The times taken were—

Amber 11 and Freddy last 1. 40. 1.20.  
2.01, 2.04.2, 3.08.1; last 1. 33.4.  
Chevillon 1 mile, 38.1, 1.13.3, 1.48.1, 2.23; last 1. 34.4.  
Capelet 11 last mile, 40. 1.17.2, 1.50.2, 2.22.3; last 1. 32.1.  
Clockmate, 11 last mile, 34.4, 1.12.3, 1.50.2, 2.27.2; last 1. 37.  
Delford, 11 last mile, 34.1, 1.10, 1.44.3, 2.10; last 1. 34.2.  
Turquoise, 11, 38, 1.12.1, 1.49, 2.27.3, 3.01.2; last 1. 33.4.  
Brympton, 1 mile last 1. 34, 1.00.1, 1.43.2; last 1. 34.1.  
Fishball, 1 mile, 38.1, 1.16, 1.53.1, 2.26; last 1. 32.4.  
Aravard, 1 mile, 2.20.1.

## NOTES ON YESTERDAY'S FORM.

Royal Rose put up a good strong gallop over a mile and a quarter, finishing in 31. President's time was slow, 1.48 for three-quarters, last quarter 33. Jewel Aster went very nicely over a mile and a half, covering the distance in 3.31.3/5, and coming home strong in 30.1/5. This pony promises to be a strong candidate for the Derby. Durbie Chief put up good time for a mile, 2.17, but was not driven home, being allowed to finish in 33. Mahatma Chief did a good strong gallop over a mile and finished in 31.2. Amman and Dumbies were sent a fast three-quarters on the sand, 1.39.2; the grey, Amman, finishing game in 30.1. The chestnut was much distressed before he reached the winning post. Tred again put up a good performance, 2.56 for the Champion's distance, last quarter 30.2. If all goes well he is sure to be in the picture all the way when this race is run. Amun Ra, a sub., did fast three-quarters of a mile in 33, 33, 43—1.39; good time for his class. This pony should be watched in his further training. Lockerie and Moffat did a fast three-quarters, 1.39.2, on the sand, last quarter 31. Neither Palkalini nor Banjolini showed up well. Both are lazy and will not gallop without company. The latter is a decided "slug," and the riding boy was hard put to it to make him cover the last mile of a mile and a half in 2.19.3, last quarter 31.3. Sweet Pea, is a stinker and refuses to race down the home straight. Buttercup is a good mover. Saxon Chief, with Borneo Chief acting as "amok" for the last half, covered a mile in 2.10.4, but took 34.1 over last quarter. Winsome Dahlia finished a mile and a quarter tired, as if it was too much for him; 2.59.2, 34.1. Britannia Dahlia won a strong mile and a half, 3.31, 32. Fijian Chief's mile in 2.12.3, last 1. 1.04.1, last 1. 32.1. (34.5, 34.4, 32, 32.1) was the best performance of the morning. He had Borneo to accompany him for the last half and beat him by a head on the post. Clover is improving. Sdangner Chief did not quite please his critics. A mile and a quarter seems too long for Old Hop. China Aster did a nice mile in 2.10, 30.9; while Matchless Dahlia did three-quarters in the fast time of 1.39.1, 30.1. Langrana is no use, we fear, and shows no sign of improvement."

## PRISONER ESCAPES.

## But is Re-captured.

A prisoner, who had been arrested on a charge of theft escaped from police custody yesterday morning by slipping off his handcuffs while on the way to goal and made off down Wellington Street, Paddar Street and Chinese Street to Des Voeur Road closely followed by an Indian constable. The officer, in his homed boots was at a disadvantage when traversing the slippery granite set streets on the hillside and the prisoner gained a lead on him. As he approached Des Voeur Road, however, Mr. G. Hoggarth, of the Optium Farm, heard the shouts of the pursuers and waiting behind the angle of the wall sprang out just at the right moment, and knocking down the fugitive put an end to his dream of liberty. This morning at the Magistrate's the prisoner was sentenced to two separate terms of one month's imprisonment on two charges of larceny by Mr. Hazeldan and Mr. Wood respectively. The clothes prisoner was wearing were part of the booty of one of his robberies.

## JAPANESE RELIEF FUND.

The Committee acknowledge with thanks, receipt of the following:—  
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## SPORTING.

## ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

## ROYAL ARTILLERY CUP.

83rd Coy. R.G.A. v. 87th Coy. R.G.A. These teams played their return match at Lyman yesterday. Teams:—  
83rd Coy. R.G.A.—Clarke; Lingham; Langford; Stevenson, Mullin, Mitchell; Marle, Perry, Crane, Pinchard, Philpin.  
87th Coy. R.G.A.—Marsh; Dougherty, McCubbin; Murphy, Westbrook, Delaney; Harper, Cartwright, Shakespeare, Martin, Dallman.

Referee, Mr. F. W. Eager.  
The 87th won the toss and put their opponents to face a strong sun. High kicking was a feature of the game but a few well-directed shots found both custodians on the spot. Play had been keenly contested for ten minutes when Crane scored rather easily for 83rd. Both teams were much excited. Mullin received a nasty kick over the eye and shortly afterwards Murphy fell and hurt his wrist. The 87th were keen on obtaining the equaliser and, after hammering away for a while, Shakespeare netted. No more goals were forthcoming before the interval but the 87th had had luck, twice hitting the crossbar. Half time score:—83rd Coy. R.G.A., 1; 87th Coy. R.G.A., 1.

The second half proved even more exciting than the first, and although the 83rd were the home team the visitors brought as much vocal support. Without the sun to trouble their defence the 83rd did much better. Goals were a long time in coming, but at length Pinchard placed splendidly from a corner and Marle neatly headed into the net. Later Marle placed a corner kick so accurately that Philpin headed a third goal. This was the last goal, and about the best and fastest game seen at Lyman ended—83rd Coy. R.G.A., 3; 87th Coy. R.G.A., 1.  
The 87th, it will be remembered, won the first match by 3 goals to 0.

## United Services Football League.

## POSITIONS OF CLUBS TO DATE.

	P.W.	D.	L.	F.A.	G.
R.G.A.	4	3	1	0	7
Royal Engineers	3	2	1	0	5
D.C.L.I.	3	2	1	0	6
H.M.S. Tamar	4	0	4	0	2

## 2ND DIVISION, UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

	P.W.	D.	L.	F.A.	G.
Hongkong Police	11	7	2	2	18
87th Coy. R.G.A.	11	6	3	19	14
88th Coy. R.G.A.	9	6	2	21	6
83rd Coy. R.G.A.	11	5	3	19	13
Tamar Res.	10	5	3	21	12
D.C.L.I. Res.	8	4	1	15	9
R.E. Reserve	13	3	7	13	27
D.C.L.I. Band	9	3	4	15	10
Staff and Depts.	11	7	2	11	30
D.C.L.I. Buglers	10	10	1	8	27

## UNITED SERVICES FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

## Matches for February.

Date.	Teams.	Ground and time.	Referee.
1st Division.			
Sat. 14	D.C.L.I. v. Royal Engineers		M. 4. Mr. F. W. Wright.
Wed. 25	H.M.S. Tamar v. D.C.L.I.		N. 4. Mr. A. A. Wilson.
2nd Division.			
Wed. 4	Tamar Res. v. 88 Co. R.G.A.		N. 4. Mr. E. J. Blake.
Sat. 7	Staff and Depts. v. 87 Co. R.G.A.		M. 4. Mr. J. Moran.
Sat. 7	88 Coy. R.G.A. v. Police		M. 2.30. Mr. F. W. Eager.
Wed. 11	83 Coy. R.G.A. v. Police L. 4.		Mr. H. Coxon.
Wed. 11	D.C.L.I. Band v. Tamar Res.		M. 4. Mr. C. Williams.
Thur. 12	D.C.L.I. Res. v. 87 Co. R.G.A.		Mr. J. H. Menadue.
Sat. 14	Staff and Depts. v. D.C.L.I. Band		M. 2.30. Mr. J. Moran.
Mon. 16	D.C.L.I. Res. v. 88 Coy. R.G.A.		M. 4. Mr. A. P. Storrie.
Tues. 17	R.E. Reserve v. D.C.L.I. Buglers		M. 4. Mr. W. E. Doe.
Wed. 18	Tamar Res. v. 87 Coy. R.G.A.		N. 4. Mr. T. Hodges.
Wed. 18	Police v. Staff and Depts.		M. 2.30. Mr. E. Tyler.
Thur. 19	D.C.L.I. Res. v. Band. M. 4.		Mr. J. F. Woods.
Thur. 19	83 Coy. R.G.A. v. 88 Coy. R.G.A.		M. 4. Mr. F. W. Wright.
Sat. 21	D.C.L.I. Buglers v. Tamar Res.		M. 2.30. Mr. W. E. Doe.
Sat. 21	83 Coy. R.G.A. v. R.E. Reserve		L. 4. Mr. F. W. Eager.
Mon. 23	D.C.L.I. Res. v. Police. M. 4.		Mr. A. A. Wilson.
Tues. 24	D.C.L.I. Band v. 87 Coy. R.G.A.		M. 4. Mr. E. Tyler.
Wed. 25	Buglers v. Police. M. 2.30.		Mr. J. H. Menadue.
Thur. 26	D.C.L.I. Res. v. R.E. Reserve		M. 4. Mr. J. F. Woods.
Sat. 28	Staff and Depts. v. 88 Coy. R.G.A.		M. 2.30. Mr. H. Coxon.
Grounds—N. Naval; M. Military; L. Lyman.			

## HONGKONG POLICE v. R.E. RESERVE.

This 2nd Div. United Services League match was played at Happy Valley yesterday. Teams:—

Hongkong Police—Swan; Clarke, Cave; French, Gardener, Drury; Grimmett, Edwards, Kelly, Booker, Wilson.  
R.E. Reserve—Townsend; Hill, Jones; Richards, Foster, Smith; Warrenner, Millard, Wilkinson, Mason, Downes.  
Referee, Mr. Tyler.

The Police quickly shewed their paces, Kelly and Booker coming well and causing the sappers' defence much trouble. It was well for the soldiers that Townsend was in such good form, as shots were sent in from all directions, but he stopped them all until one from Booker eluded him and found the top of the net. Wilkinson and Mason did the leading work when the soldiers made an occasional attack but generally Cave and Clarke did them so well in hand that Swan was hardly ever tested.

## HONGKONG RESIDENT'S GENEROSITY.

## A GIFT OF \$15,000.

## A Women's Institute Proposed.

The following correspondence, which we have been requested by Lady May to publish, will be read with much pleasure and gratification by all interested in the welfare of Hongkong:—  
(Copy.)  
Hongkong, Jan. 22.

Lady May,  
Government House.  
Dear Madam,

We are instructed by our client Mr. Ellis Kadocrie to inform you that he is willing to place a sum of \$15,000 Hongkong Currency for the purpose of erecting a Women's Institute or Hostel in the Colony provided that within two years from this date an equal sum of money be raised.

Our client considers that the building will cost at least the sum of \$30,000. The donation offered by Mr. Kadocrie is offered upon the express condition that the building shall be named and known as "The Lady May Institute" or Hostel, as may be decided, or, if you so wish, the building shall be designated under your Christian name and surname.

Mr. Kadocrie requests us to add that if it be hereafter ascertained that a suitable building cannot be erected for the sum of \$30,000 and it is found that it will cost upwards of \$40,000, he will be willing to pay half the difference in the extra cost.

Yours faithfully,  
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER.

(Copy.)  
Government House,  
Hongkong,  
24th January, 1914.

Dear Mr. Kadocrie,  
I have received Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master's letter of the 22nd January containing your most generous offer to give a sum of \$15,000 or perhaps \$20,000 to establish a Women's Institute in the Colony provided that within two years an equal sum be raised.

You have made it a condition of your offer that the Institute should be named after me. As you are no doubt aware, I have for some years past been closely associated with the work of the Y.W.C.A. and I have no doubt it was the knowledge that this association has no building of its own and is hampered by want of funds that prompted your kind offer.

I therefore accept your generous offer, for which I and all those connected with the work I have mentioned are most deeply grateful. It is my intention that the Y.W.C.A. shall merge in due course into the new Institute, which will be managed on similar lines, and if your generous meets with response from others, with a much wider scope.

I have, as you know, deputed to the new Institute when established being called after me, as I feel that I have done no more than many others to merit the distinction. But as you cannot be persuaded to waive this stipulation, I accept it with a deep sense of your kind thought in making it. I propose therefore that the new Institute be known as the "Helena May Institute for Women."

I am sending your letter and my reply to the public Press in the hope that the publicity given to your offer may induce others to contribute towards the completion of the scheme.  
Believe me,  
Yours sincerely and gratefully,  
HELENA A. V. MAY.

The Constitution under which the work of the Y.W.C.A. is to be widened in conjunction with the new "Institute" is under consideration and will shortly be sent to members. Meanwhile, the work of the Y.W.C.A. continues as usual in the Rooms in Queen's Road. Its name is changed to that of "The Women's Institute" and will take the full title of "Helena May Institute for Women" when the prospective building is opened.

The first half ended:—Hongkong Police, 1; R.E. Reserve, 0.

The Police restarted but were unable to pile on the goals as expected or desired by the Police supporters who were comfortably seated by the touch line. Anything that passed Hill and Jones was safely dealt with by Townsend who gave a rattling display. Grimmett tried shot after shot when sometimes centres were waiting to put the Police further ahead. The R.E. looked like making a draw of it once, but Cave came along with a heading rush and cleared to touch. The Police the Police at the head of the tongue tale. Result:—  
Hongkong Police, 1; R.E. Reserve, 0.

## EUROPEAN ENGINEERS DISAPPEARANCE.

## Mysterious Affair on the Bonlawers.

Second Engineer J. H. Henderson, of the Bon Line steamer Bonlawers, lying at Wanchai, disappeared from his ship in very mysterious circumstances on the morning of January 26.

The officer, who is a native of Scotland, went aboard at about 2.30 on Monday morning, and this was the last seen or heard of him. At about seven o'clock the same morning it was noticed that a trail of blood led from his cabin door to the ship's side, and on the apartment being opened a blood stained razor was found in his bunk.  
Mr. Henderson, who



## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

P. & O. COMP. NY'S  
ENTERPRISE.  
NEW SHIPS BEING  
CONSTRUCTED.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

The Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company announce that steamers *Borneo*, *Sunda*, *Palace* and *Sumatra* were lately sold; two new delivery in Japan and the others to buyers in Bombay.

Six vessels of the "K" type will take their place and will be of double their tonnage and of greater speed. The Company have now under construction some 70,000 tons, including the Kaiser-class of 14,000 tons.

BRITISH DOMINIONS  
COMMISSION.Report on Emigration and  
Shipping.

LONDON, Jan. 28.

The second interim report of the British Dominions Commission deals with Australasia.

It says that the system under which the emigrants are recruited from the United Kingdom is antiquated and defective. More emigrants are needed to fill the tropical and sub-tropical parts of Australia, and Malta appears to be a suitable recruiting ground.

The report further says it is urgently necessary to deepen the Australian ports. In regard to the mail service the Commission considers it is unjustifiable to bind the State to a subsidised service via Suez for more than a brief period, as new routes to Australia are opening up. The approaching termination of the contract with the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company renders the present time peculiarly opportune for the re-examination of the whole problem on broad Imperial lines.

FRANCE HONOURS COM-  
MANDER EVANS.

LONDON, Jan. 28.

Commander Evans, one of the survivors of the late Captain Scott's Antarctic Expedition, was given a very hearty reception upon his arrival at Paris, where a luncheon was held to his honour, and he received a medal from the Municipal body.

He lectured before the Geographical Society, where M. Poincaré, the French President, bestowed upon him the insignia of an Officer of the Legion of Honour.

A SENSATIONAL CONFESSION.  
Serious Allegations Against  
New York Landlords.

LONDON, Jan. 28.

A telegram from New York states that during the trial of a gang of men for placing a bomb in a tenement, one of the gang confessed that he had placed eighty bombs in different houses in the city in consideration of money paid by property owners who were hoping to benefit as a result of the insurance money. He had also participated in two murders by the gang for booty.

## MURDERER COMMITS SUICIDE.

LONDON, Jan. 28.

The murderer of M. Valdomo, the French Agent at Tangier, has been found dead in his cell, he having hanged himself with his braces.

FIRST CIVIL GOVERNOR OF  
PANAMA CANAL ZONE.

LONDON, Jan. 28.

President Wilson has appointed Colonel Goethals as the first Civil Governor of the Panama Canal Zone.

This discounts the talk of another appointment.

## ANOTHER STRIKE IMPENDING.

## Marine Engineers Unsettled.

LONDON, Jan. 28.

A ballot is being taken by the marine engineers of the United Kingdom on the question of a strike for an increase in pay, remuneration for overtime, and an extension of home leave.

## SOMETHING TO REMEMBER.

IN buying a cough medicine for children, bear in mind that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best for colds, croup and whooping cough, and that it contains no harmful drug. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SENSATIONAL SEQUEL  
TO THE ZABERN  
AFFAIR.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

Reuter's correspondent at Strassburg states that the resignation of the Government of Alsace Lorraine, including that of the Governor, Secretary of State and the Under-Secretaries, is impending, as the result of the Zabern affair.

## BRITISH POLITICS.

## Meetings of the Cabinet

LONDON, Jan. 28.

There was a prolonged meeting of the Cabinet yesterday, and it is believed that Ministers discussed the increase in taxation necessitated by the Navy Estimates.

Another long Cabinet meeting was held to-day, and there will be another this week.

## THE SHEFFIELD SHIELD.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

A telegram from Sydney states that New South Wales made 675 (Kelleway 138 and Macartney 201) against Victoria's 322-311. New South Wales thus wins the Sheffield Shield.

THE LONDON COALMEN'S  
STRIKE.

## Majority Favour Resumption.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

The majority of the coalmen on strike are in favour of a general resumption of work on the old terms without the sanction of the Trades Union.

## LABOUR M.P.'S "DEFECTS."

LONDON, Jan. 29.

The proceedings of the Labour Conference at Glasgow, which considered the work of the Labour Members of Parliament, was of an animated character.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald affirmed that they had done all that was humanly possible.

The delegates, however, indulged in some caustic criticism, and charged the Labour M.P.'s with "doing the grand, and aping the Duke's," instead of "doing orange box work outside." They also accused the Labour members of making secret bargains with the Liberals.

This Mr. MacDonald and Mr. Henderson vehemently denied, and eventually their report was adopted.

A Member on the African Labour  
Trouble.

Mr. Brownlie, Chairman of the Amalgamated Engineers, announced that all the officials in South Africa had been arrested and the books and funds confiscated. They had been unable to cable funds to them for fear of confiscation. Mr. Harcourt, the Colonial Secretary, had refused to receive a deputation saying that the matter was solely within the competence of the South African Union Government. He, however, had promised to obtain particulars from Lord Gladstone.

Mr. Brownlie declared that he was not satisfied with that answer and intended to get satisfaction.

## South African Policy Denounced.

LATER.

The sudden deportation of ten South African Labour leaders has created a great stir at the Labour Conference.

They adopted an amendment demanding the recall of Lord Gladstone.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, in an impassioned speech, moved a resolution protesting against the suppression of trade unionism in South Africa and insisted upon a searching enquiry into Lord Gladstone's conduct so that future Governors of the Dominion would not follow his example. He declared that the deportations were the most cynical conclusion of the South African War.

Mr. Keir Hardie pointed out that the Indemnity Act required the Kings signature and that Lord Gladstone had sent home for consideration.

The motion was adopted.

## CURE THAT COUGH.

WHEN you have a troublesome cough it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are threatened, and it is just as well to be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICAN COASTERS  
AND THE PANAMA  
CANAL.PRESIDENT WILSON'S  
RECOMMENDATION.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

A telegram from Washington states that President Wilson, conferring with the Senate's Foreign Relations Committee yesterday, strongly advocated the cancelling of Preferential treatment to American coasting vessels using the Panama Canal. He also urged the recommendation of the adoption of general arbitration treaties with Great Britain and Japan.

## WEST BIRMINGHAM.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain has decided to contest West Birmingham at the next General Election, which constituency invited him to be their candidate on the resignation of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain.

## REVOLUTION IN HAYTI.

## President and Wife Refugees.

BLUEJACKETS AND MACHINE  
GUNS LANDED.

LONDON, Jan. 29.

A telegram from New York states that owing to the outbreak of revolution and fighting at Hayti, the German cruiser "Vineta" landed eighty bluejackets and two machine guns at Port-au-Prince.

President Oreste and his wife took refuge on board the "Vineta."

American bluejackets have also landed there.

Cape Haitien is in the hands of the rebels.

MILLIONAIRE'S YACHT ON  
THE ROCKS.

LONDON, Jan. 28.

A telegram from New York states that Mr. F. W. Vanderbilt's yacht, "Warrior," struck on the rocks at Cape Aguas off the coast of Columbia. A steamer came to the rescue and took off Mr. Vanderbilt, the Duke and Duchess of Manchester, and Lord Falconer who are proceeding to New York. The crew remained on board the yacht which is hard aground but fairly safe.

PROMOTION FOR C.P.R. COM-  
MANDER.Capt. Beetham Appointed Marine  
Superintendent at Vancouver.

Commander P. Beetham, R.N.R., who recently left here for Vancouver on the C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Russia*, is leaving the sea to take up the new shore berth of Marine Superintendent of the Canadian Pacific ocean steamship service, with headquarters at Vancouver. The lines under the direct control of Captain Beetham will be the *Empress of Russia*, *Empress of Asia*, *Empress of India*, *Empress of Japan*, and *Monteagle*. The new office, says the *Victoria Colonist*, was created following the recent visit of Mr. Mathew Kersey, head of the C.P.R. steamship lines, and although for a time many speculative rumours were abroad as to who would be selected to fill the important shore berth, the official announcement has been made that the popular commander of the *Empress of Russia* will preside over the destinies of the trans-Pacific fleet.

Captain Beetham has been with the C.P.R. for many years, and has worked his way up from second officer of the *Empress of Japan*. He is a comparatively young man, and his long years of experience in the navigation of the Pacific will prove of great value to him in the important post which he is about to fill.

It is understood that the command of the *Empress of Russia* will be given to Captain W. Davidson, R.N.R., who is now with the *Empress of India*. Captain A. Huxley, R.N.R., now with the *Monteagle*, will go back to his old command, the *Empress of India*, and Captain F. L. Davidson, who has been on a vacation, will resume command of the intermediary steamship *Monteagle*.

## CROUP.

EVERY young child is susceptible to croup. Don't wait until this dreadful disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when children's shops are usually closed, and this alone should be a warning. Get and keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

ST. JOHN'S  
CATHEDRAL.ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
CONGREGATION.

The Assistant Chaplain Question.

Several matters of interest were discussed at the annual meeting of St. John's Cathedral which took place at the City Hall last evening; among them being the question of the assistant chaplain.

The Bishop of Victoria (Rt. Rev. Dr. Hunter) presided, and among others present were H.E. the Governor (Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G.), Hon. Mr. Claude Soren, Ven. Archdeacon Barrett, Rev. H. V. Copley Meyle (chaplain), Dr. Clark (hon. treasurer), Mr. W. L. Patterson (hon. secretary), and Mr. N. J. Stubb.

Dr. Clark, presenting the statement of accounts, said that during the past year the excess of income over expenditure amounted to \$714. This satisfactory state of affairs had only been brought about by rigid cutting down of expenses; the actual expenditure during 1913 was \$813 less than in 1912. Collections amounted to \$553 less than in 1912, but special collections showed an increase of \$670. It was the custom of the church-body to make a percentage deduction from collections for the ordinary expenses of the Cathedral, but in several cases during the past year that deduction had been omitted for the benefit of funds such as the British and Foreign Bible Society, the net result being that the collections so far as the general funds of the Cathedral were concerned were \$225 less. That donations were \$670 less than in 1912 must be regarded as more or less the natural outcome of the special effort made to raise an endowment fund. This fund, which was started twelve months ago, appeared as a new item in the balance-sheet, the result of the collections of Sir Paul Chater and certain of his colleagues being the raising of roughly \$15,000. This sum was not of course sufficient to bring in an adequate income to enable the Church Body to engage an assistant chaplain, but it was bringing in a sum of about £75 sterling a year. The reserve fund, which had dwindled down in recent years, now stood at \$1,000 and was regarded as a reserve to cover typhoon damage or any special expenditure which might be necessary in any one year.

The accounts having been passed, the Bishop announced that the agreement of the organist and choirmaster, Mr. Denman Fyler, F.R.C.O., L.R.A.M., had been extended for three years.

The Bishop announced that two members of the Church Body who served last year, Colonel St. John and Mr. Armstrong, would not be able to act again. He proposed that their places be taken by Deputy Surgeon-General Hoskey and Mr. Lenton, manager of the Mercantile Bank.

His Excellency considered it desirable to have on the Church Body residents of old standing and prominent position as far as possible. The names suggested were no doubt excellent, but he thought he could suggest better. The Surgeon-General was a new-comer—a worthy officer but he would only be here a short time. He suggested that in place of those proposed Hon. Mr. Claude Soren and Hon. Mr. David Landale, the head of Messrs. Jarine, Matheson and Co., most generous donors to the church, be asked to serve.

The Bishop read the rule governing the appointment of members of the Church Body which stipulated that candidates should be Churchmen, British subjects over 21, and shareholders and frequenters of the Cathedral.

Mr. F. L. L. Bowley, one of the members whose re-election was proposed, withdrew his name in favour of Mr. Lenton, and the members appointed were Hon. Mr. Claude Soren, Mr. N. J. Stubb, Dr. Clark, Hon. Mr. D. Landale, and Mr. Lenton. Mr. H. C. Saultford was appointed auditor.

Hon. Mr. Claude Soren, speaking on the question of an assistant chaplain, and the endowment fund, said he liked the endowment fund very much but the actual result had been although they had got that fund, they had not got the assistant chaplain. The need for an assistant chaplain was greater than it was 18 months ago when he made the suggestion. The naval and military chaplains had had more work to do and a great deal of extra work had to be performed by the chaplain of the Cathedral. There was a sum of £75 a year coming from that endowment fund and he believed the salary had been fixed at £300 a year. It was absolutely essential to have a chaplain here at the earliest possible moment, and the question was how the balance was going to be raised. He had been informed just the members of the St. John's Cathedral Branch of the C.E.M.S. were quite ready to collect the money by monthly subscriptions and they had formulated a scheme which he had been asked to put before them. Briefly it was that all subscribers be utilised for the balance of the assistant chaplain stipend; that subscribers be at liberty to promise such subscriptions for six months or three years; that they might think fit. The details would be left with the members and they would endeavour to raise \$180 a month. He month towards the \$180 and guaranteed the whole amount. He moved a resolution embodying the new suggestion and in order to give the congregation some time in which to consider the scheme, he proposed that a meeting be held a month hence to arrive at a decision.

Dr. Clark seconded, remarking there was no necessity to postpone the consideration of the motion.

His Excellency said his was a seat-holder of the Cathedral but he had received no notice of that resolution or, indeed, of any of the business which was to be transacted that afternoon until he wrote specially and asked for it.

"I venture to suggest," he proceeded, "that is not a businesslike way of doing business. The smallest club in the Colony has an agenda. I think that notices of resolutions of any importance should be given and that should have been done if this matter was coming up to be discussed. A copy of the resolution ought to be forwarded to each seat-holder, to let the seatholder see what the proposal is. Also the other business that has been transacted ought to be notified in a like manner."

That resolution, went on his Excellency, was a very important one, especially coming after the resolution of last year creating a fund which had already been established for the purpose of engaging an assistant chaplain. The best way to proceed, he ventured to suggest, was to print that resolution with a short resume of the whole matter and circulate it amongst the seatholders to be considered at a future meeting. (Applause.)

Mr. Soren intimated he was entirely in accord with his Excellency's suggestion.

Dr. Clarke, the seconder, raised no objection and the suggestion of his Excellency was approved.

The Rev. H. V. Copley Meyle moved a comprehensive vote of thanks to the Bishop and clergy for their assistance in the services of the Cathedral. At present he (the speaker) was in the peculiar position of being required in two places at the same time and had it not been for the help of the Bishop and clergy he would not have been able to do so; also to the lay members of the Church Body.

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The motion was put from the chair and carried unanimously the Bishop observing that he regarded his little services as his duty.

MUCH MARRIED  
WOMAN.

## SOLD THREE TIMES.

Curious Matrimonial Story.

A curious matrimonial entanglement was unravelled in the Magistracy this week, and some strange light was thrown upon the marriage customs of the lower class Chinese. The facts which come to light were briefly these. A short time ago a man came to Hongkong from Kweichow and asked the assistance of the police in finding his wife, who had run away. His grief at her loss was considerably enhanced by the fact that he paid \$80 for the woman. The woman was found and much to everybody's surprise another man claimed her as his spouse, stating that he had paid \$55 for her.

The complication was made worse by the appearance on the scene of a third man, who also claimed that he was united in the bonds of matrimony to the woman and had paid a similar sum for her. The go-between was found and the parties were taken before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, who found that the third man, the rightful husband, had twice sold his wife for the sum stated, with instructions that she was to run away and return to him.

The unscrupulous husband was charged with the go-between by Det. Sgt. Brown at the Magistracy this morning with obtaining money by false pretences, but the charge fell through and defendants were released.

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MAUD ALLAN AND THE  
CHERNIAVSKYS.

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It is to be regretted that the world famous dancer and the talented Cherniavsky Trio will be unable to give any further recitals in Hongkong as they go direct from Shanghai to Manila on route to Australia to fulfil their engagements.

The booking will open at Moutrie's on Friday the 20th inst. at 9.30 a.m., and those wishing to obtain good seats should make a point to be there early. The Far Eastern tour is under the direction of Mr. D. E. D. Cohen.—Contributed.

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